

Regular Meeting of the Library Board

April 30, 1920.

Present: Messrs. Hardy, Shade, Lorenz, Mrs. Gastman, Mrs. Muleady and Miss Crea.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Librarian's report was read, on motion approved and ordered placed on file.

New books recommended by the Book Committee were ordered purchased.

This being the first meeting after the death of Mr. J.E. Osborne, member of the Library Board, a motion was made to draw up resolutions and send a copy to his family.

Commissioner J. W. Montgomery, of the Dept. of Accounts and Finance, by invitation met with the Board to advise concerning the new Branch building. Mr. Montgomery said substantially what Corporation Counsel R. J. Monroe had said- to have plans for such a building prepared and an estimate made of the cost, to determine the period of years over which the ^{Board} wishes to spread the collection of the cost of the building, and then request that the City Council issue bonds for this purpose. If the City Council approve the action of the Board, it may, in its own discretion, provide that bonds of the City be issued. If, however, the Council shall not provide that bonds be issued but shall otherwise approve the action of the Board, then the Board shall divide the cost of the building into as many parts as they shall determine and shall certify the amount of one of the parts to the City Council each year during the term of years over which they have decided to spread the cost. Mr. Shade thought \$15,000, divided into three payments of \$5,000 each and spread over a period of three years, would be the right

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amount to request. Miss Crea brought up the question of our ability to support another library with our present appropriation. The possibility of our having the room in Durfee school another year was considered; Mr. Engleman had been approached regarding this and would give an answer soon.

On motion the budget of \$26,910 for the coming year was adopted, the increase of salaries being approved as set forth. Mr. Montgomery advised that we ask for the full levy of 1 1/3 mills on the dollar. The present city valuation being \$15,448,286, this would give us about \$20,500 which, with the balance of \$6,418.43, would cover the amount of the budget.

It was decided to have the Annual report read at the regular monthly meeting, May 28.

Two new stations had been opened at the Mueller and Staley factories.

The matter of having the street sprinkled during the summer was mentioned, to be decided upon later.

Miss Dill sent a letter of thanks for ^{granted her} the vacation. On motion this was accepted and placed on the minutes of the meeting.

Mrs. Evans was granted the privilege of attending the A.L.A. meeting at Colorado Springs, June 2-7.

On motion adjourned.

Alice G. Evans.
Secretary.

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Librarian's Report for March 1920.

	<u>Book Account</u>		Branch.	School.	Total.
	Adult.	Child.			
Total vols. Feb. 29, 1920	34,891	5,723	1,538	1,803	43,955
New books added by purchase	95	27	16	11	149
Books replaced	18	29	5	1	53
Total additions	113	56	21	12	202
Books withdrawn	57	82	5	0	144
Total vols. March 31, 1920	34,947	5,697	1,554	1,815	44,013

	<u>Registration</u>		<u>Branch</u>		Total.
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		Adult.	Child.	
	Adult.	Child.	Adult.	Child.	
Cards in force Feb. 29, 1920	6,501	3,130	164	785	10,580
Borrowers registered	208	77	4	15	304
Borrower's cards cancelled	158	74	1	5	238
Cards in force Mr. 31, 1920	6,551	3,133	167	795	10,646

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Branch</u>		School.	Deposit.	Total.
	Adult.	Child.	Adult.	Child.			
Books issued	9,944	4,072	470	1,022	2,098	563	18,169
Largest daily circulation at Main library-	959.				At Branch-		179
Smallest " " " "	" " " "				" " " "		40
Average " " " "	" " " "				" " " "		107
Books used in reading and reference rooms	-----						1,404
Delinquent postals sent	-----						327
Reserve postals sent	-----						95

	<u>Binding and Repair</u>	Total.
Books sent to bindery	-----	179
Books repaired in library	-----	474

Sunday Opening
 Visitors: Men -- 120. Women -- 63. Children -- 9. Total -- 192

	<u>Classified Report</u>				Total.
	<u>Book Account</u>				
	Adult.	Child.	Branch.	School.	
General works	2				2
Philosophy	1				1
Religion				3	3
Sociology	13	7	4		24
Philology	2				2
Science	7	2	2		11
Useful arts	13	1			14
Fine arts	5				5
Literature	19	5		4	28
Travel	3		1		4
Biography	5				5
History	7	2	1	1	11
Fiction	36	39	13	4	92
Total	113	56	21	12	202

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	Classified Report					Total.
	Circulation					
	Adult.	Child.	Branch.	School.	Stations.	
General works	11	6	2			19
Philosophy	80				1	81
Religion	88	28	13	91	12	232
Sociology	275	414	131	319	47	1186
Philology	1					1
Science	154	100	41	156	25	476
Useful arts	272	41	23	65	9	410
Fine arts	220	64	29	33	13	359
Literature	597	119	74	148	35	973
Travel	95	67	68	146	16	392
Biography	143	58	42	73	5	321
History	236	95	55	147	44	577
Fiction	7381	3070	978	920	356	12705
Foreign books	13		1			14
Magazines	143	10	35			188
Rental coll.	235					235
Total	9944	4072	1492	2098	563	18169

Finance

Receipts:

Balance due from appropriation Feb. 29, 1920 -----	\$9,070.17
Fees for non-residents ----	10.00
Fines, damages & lost books	94.45
Rental coll. -----	10.85
Other sources -----	9.70
Total receipts -----	\$9,195.17

Expenditures:

Salaries -----	\$807.60
Books -----	333.10
Supplies -----	37.44
Light & heat -----	118.27
Postage, freight & exp.-	1.58
Miscellaneous -----	7.12
Total expenditures -----	-\$1,305.11
Balance due from appropriation Mr. 31, 1920-	\$7,890.06

Respectfully submitted,

Alice G. Evans,
Librarian.